

**REMARKS**

In accordance with the above amendments, claims 15, 21, 28, and 36 have been amended and claim 20, canceled. Thus, claims 1-4, 11, 15, 21-22 and 28-41 remain under consideration in this application. Claims 1-4 and 11 have been allowed.

The allowance of claims 1-4 and 11 is gratefully acknowledged.

Claim 15 has been amended to add the limitation of claim 20 and claim 21 has been made dependent on claim 20 to thereby meet the objection with respect to claims 20-22 and thereby put them in condition for allowance. In addition, claims 28 and 36 have been amended to introduce limitations which applicant believes enable these claims to distinguish over the prior art and renders them patentable. In this manner, claims 29-35, which depend from claim 28 and claims 37-41, which depend in some way from claim 36, should also be allowable.

In view of the above amendments, taken together with the remarks herein, applicant requests that this amendment be entered and the claims allowed. Should any issues remain which, in the opinion of the Examiner, could be resolved by telephone interview, she is invited to contact the undersigned attorney by

telephone, at her convenience, in an effort to expedite the conclusion of prosecution of this application.

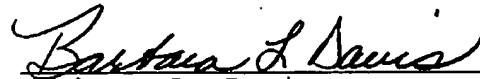
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I hereby certify that the foregoing Amendment Under 37 CFR 1.116 in response to the Final Official Action mailed November 18, 2003 and a transmittal letter for the application Serial No. 09/767,442 of inventor, Lester A. LaMotte, filed January 23, 2001, for "COLLAPSIBLE DISPLAY SYSTEM" are being sent by facsimile transmission to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. BOX 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on Friday, January 16, 2004.



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